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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 13, please amend the paragraph beginning on line 20 as follows:

--Fig. 13 shows the catheter of Fig. 12 <u>in a storage</u> <u>configuration</u>, wherein the tubular protective member 84 is attached to the catheter. The second section 82 is not covered by the tubular protective member. The tubular protective member fastens to the second part via an inwardly extending flange (not shown) engaging the ribbed portion 88.--